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FOR JOHN CRAIG - PLEASE PASS DR. A. ABDULLAH, MOH AND
NAMRU 3

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1. PRIOR TO 5 JULY DISCUSSIONS WITH DR. DAVIS, WHO,
INDICATED ONLY SALARIES FOR TRANSLATORS NEED BE PROVIDED
TO WHO IN HARD CURRENCY FOR DEPOSIT IN TRANSLATORS
ACCOUNTS IN GENEVA.

2. SINCE ONR-MOH CONTRACT WAS IN EGYPTIAN POUNDS, IT WAS
THOUGHT THAT SALARY MONIES COULD NOT THEREFORE BE PAID FROM
CONTRACT, BUT RATHER ONR AND HEW WOULD HAVE TO PROVIDE HARD
CURRENCY FOR THESE SALARIES. THESE FUNDS WOULD THUS HAVE
BEEN SEPARATE FROM THE ONR-MOH CONTRACT.

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3. IT WAS LATER LEARNED THAT THE EMRO OFFICE COULD ACCEPT EGYPTIAN POUNDS FOR TRANSLATORS SALARIES AND IN TURN CREDIT HARD CURRENCY TO WHO GENEVA FOR DEPOSIT TO TRANSLATORS ACCOUNTS. HARD CURRENCY WOULD THEREFORE NOT BE REQUIRED

FROM ONR AND HEW TO COVER THESE SALARIES. THE ONR-MOH CONTRACT SHOULD BE USED TO COVER COSTS FOR THE CONFERENCE WHENEVER POSSIBLE, EXCEPT FOR COSTS RELATIVE TO UNEP FUNDED EXPENSES.

4. IT WAS ORIGINALLY THOUGHT THAT PLANE TICKETS AND ONE TRAIN TICKET AND PER DIEM FOR TRANSLATORS COULD BE ISSUED BY DR. ABDALLAH, BUT MESSAGE FROM DR. LEPES, WHO, THROUGH US MISSION, GENEVA TO HEW REQUESTED TOTAL FUNDS FOR SALARIES, TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM (\$20,396) FOR EIGHT TRANSLATORS BE TRANSFERRED TO THE WHO NON-RESIDENT TEMPORARY ACCOUNT, NATIONAL BANK OF EGYPT, ALEXANDRIA. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHY ONLY THE SALARY MONIES COULD NOT BE FORWARDED, HOWEVER, TRANSFER OF TOTAL \$20,396 WOULD RELIEVE DR. ABDALLAH OF A FEW MORE DETAILS.

5. SINCE UNEP PROVIDED FUNDS TO THE MOH FOR TRANSLATORS, SUGGEST THAT \$5,297 FROM UNEP FUNDS BE USED TO PAY COSTS FOR TWO TRANSLATORS AND \$15,297 FROM ONR-MOH CONTRACT PAY COSTS FOR SIX TRANSLATORS.

6. IF TRANSLATORS ARE NEEDED FOR ONLY SIX DAYS PLUS ONE DAY FOR TRAVEL, COSTS TO UNEP SHOULD BE \$4,307 AND TO ONR-MOH CONTRACT, \$12,921.

7. SUGGEST DR. ABDALLAH INQUIRE IMMEDIATELY OF EMRO OR WHO, GENEVA WHETHER SALARY MONIES ONLY CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO WHO INSTEAD OF TOTAL SALARY, PER DIEM AND TRANSPORTATION MONIES, AND NEED FOR TRANSLATORS FOR SIX DAYS ONLY. SISCO

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